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NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY
All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.
This communication is responsive to response & dellaration filed 10/24/07.
☐ The allowed claim(s) is/are 21-41, serum bered 1,4,9,14,19-21, 15,18,2,5,10,16,6,11,7,12,3,8, 13,17, respectivel
☐ The drawings filed on are acceptable.
Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been
received.
received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number)
received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
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A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE "DATE MAILED" of this Office action. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.
Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS
☐ because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.
including changes required by the Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. 16.
including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on, which has been approved by the examiner.
including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.
Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftperson.
☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.
Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included. INCLEDED THE CONTROL OF A STOCKED APPROVED. Inventors King & Chuntharapac Attachment(s) well be deleted.
☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
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Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152
☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413
☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment LORRAINE SPECTOR
Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material PRIMARY EXAMINER
☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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Application/Control Number: 09/020,746

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Diane L. Marschang on May 7, 2002.

The application has been amended as follows:

Please replace claim 24 as follows:

(Twice Amended) A monoclonal antibody which binds to a soluble polypeptide which is (a) an extracellular domain sequence of Apo-2 polypeptide which consists of amino acids 54-182 of SEQ ID NO:1 or (b) a fragment of (a) which binds Apo-2 ligand and is immunogenic, [or is capable of modulating apoptosis in a mammalian cell] wherein said antibody stimulates apoptosis in at least one type of mammalian cell in vivo or ex vivo.

The TITLE has been amended as follows:

APO-2 RECEPTOR ANTIBODY

Previous Amendment

Note that in the amendment filed 7/1/99 (paper #9), a request was made to amend page 9, line 32, after "amino acid sequence" with first –(SEQ ID NO:1)—and next with –(SEQ ID NO:6)--. Since there was only a single occurrence of "amino acid sequence" on line 32, only the amendment adding –(SEQ ID NO:1)—was made.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Claire M. Kaufman, whose telephone number is (703) 305-5791. Dr. Kaufman can generally be reached Monday through Thursday from 8:30AM to 12:30PM.



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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Yvonne Eyler, can be reached at (703) 308-6564.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

Official papers filed by fax should be directed to (703) 308-4242. Faxed draft or informal communications with the examiner should be directed to (703) 308-0294. NOTE: If applicant *does* submit a paper by fax, the original signed copy should be retained by the applicant or applicant's representative. NO DUPLICATE COPIES SHOULD BE SUBMITTED so as to avoid the processing of duplicate papers in the Office. **Please** advise the examiner at the telephone number above before facsimile transmission.

Claire M. Kaufman, Ph.D.

Patent Examiner, Art Unit 1646

May 8, 2002

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